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For: Speed Control for Utility Vehicle Operable From Rearward-Facing Seat

AMENDMENT "A"

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

In response to the Office Action of July 29, 2003, wherein the Examiner restricted the application to three species I, II, and III, Applicant elects species II, figure 11, for initial prosecution on the merits. The claims that read on this species are:

1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13.

IN THE CLAIMS:

(Original) A utility vehicle control system for a utility vehicle having a forward-facing driving position and a rearward-facing seat, comprising:

a speed-controllable transmission operable to output power to drive a wheel;

a creep speed control actuator located adjacent to the rearward-